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The women of Chicago who inaugurated the crusade against gambling some time ago, are very enthusiastic over the success that has attended their work. They are confident that they can effectually suppress the vice.

The latest development of the automatic machine is a Doctor Currell, in Holland. It is a wooden figure of a man with compartments all over it, labeled with the names of various ailments. If you have a pain find its corresponding location on the figure, drop a coin into the slot, and the proper pill or powder will come out.

The number of Irish occupiers of land in 1888 was 521,455, being 716 less than on the previous year. The number holding land exceeding fifty acres increased to 223. There were in 1888 47,951 holdings, not exceeding one acre, being a decrease of 171 from the previous year. There are 150,146 holdings between five and fifteen acres, this being the most numerous class, and 1501 holders of above 1000 acres.

The difference between the English and the American sense of humor is shown in Henry Irving's application for the interdiction of a burlesque imitation of him which was running in one of the London theaters. On this side of the water almost any actor of note would regard this as a pretty good advertisement, to be encouraged rather than rebuffed. Booth, Jefferson, and others who have suffered in like manner at the hands of the funny men on the stage have winked at it, as the political magnates of a quarter-century ago did when a noted performer produced his clever stage portraits of them. The Washington Star thinks "there is always more or less indirect flattery in such treatment. Nobody thinks of caricaturing a person who is not eminent in his way. The comic delineator hunts only for big game."

Many practical persons would take much more interest in the visit of South America's representatives to this country if they could believe the story of two Spanish-Americans which was read at the recent meeting of the British Association for the advancement of science. They reported a land east of the Andes, in one portion of which, including "about four thousand square miles, gold can be produced in almost unlimited amount. The quantity of gold in the land already known is eleven thousand and twenty-one million cubic metres, and the calculated value of the precious metal it contains is no less than \$1,500,000,000. In other words, as much as fifteen times the amount of gold raised annually during the last few years is lying waiting to be won in the Province of Sandia. How much more could be found in the country to the north, which is now "unexplored and occupied by the savages," cannot, of course, be calculated.

An interesting phase of the Chinese question has developed in New York city. Despite the alleged restrictions of the Exclusion Act the Celestial population there has increased fifteen per cent. within a twelvemonth. The representative of a Chinese company who held a lease of some valuable New York property declined to renew the lease save on his own terms. The landlord, declining to acquiesce, was confronted with this interesting situation: No Caucasian would occupy the property lately vacated by a Mongolian and no Mongolian was permitted under the laws of America-Mongolian cities to lease a building from which one of his own race had been expelled. The Chicago Herald considers that the effect of such conditions as these will be to erect in New York an institution such as has long been familiar to San Francisco: a Chinatown, with all its attendant horrors of opium-smoking and highlander murder. New York already has a Mott street, largely, but not entirely, given over to Chinamen; but it is not prepared for a state of affairs which involves the Chinaman as a considerable social and political factor, as he undoubtedly is in San Francisco.

The dreadful cyclone which struck the American, English and German war ships at Samoa, by which so many gallant officers and sailors lost their lives, was the means of demonstrating those noble qualities which have made the American seamen famed the world over. John Preston Dunning, the young Associated Press reporter who was at Apia at the time, is preparing an account of the fearful disaster for *St. Nicholas*. Although some doubt has been cast on the Trenton drift back on the Vandallia and it seemed as if the ship were doomed, he distinctly heard above the raging of the gale the strains of the "Star Spangled Banner," which the Trenton's band struck up. The fact, too, that the Trenton's men all cheered the British ship Calypso when she successfully breasted the storm and steamed out to sea is amply verified by the report of the British Commander, Captain Race, who declared he was never more affected in his life than when he heard the manly ring of their voices. The New York Sun declares that every actor in those stirring scenes may well be proud of the part he played in that day's great struggle against the elements.

## THROUGH DIXIE.

SUMMARY OF SOUTHERN NEWS. Happenings of Special Importance from Virginia to the Lone Star State.

**NORTH CAROLINA.**  
Capt. Murphy, of the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad, brought the first car load of Stokes county coal that ever came to Greensboro.

It was learned that Philadelphia parties have purchased the plumage deposits in Wake county and would at once remove the turkeys there and operate them on an extensive scale.

While the train for Weldon was standing at the depot Monday morning it was raided by a curious crowd anxious to see the "Carolina Twins" who were aboard. These twins are colored females and are joined together at the navel of the famous Siamese twins. They were born in Whiteville, in this State, and are thirty-eight years old. They have been pretty much all over the world on exhibition.

Chatham county made its first payment to the fund for the North Carolina Confederate Soldiers Home. The amount was \$113, and was raised by the ladies of Chatham county. It was turned over to W. C. Stronach, of Raleigh who is treasurer of the State Veterans' Association.

A telegram has been received announcing that Governor Fitzhugh Lee accepts the invitation of the Sampson County Agricultural Society to deliver the annual address at the fair on December 13, 5th and 6th.

Calvin J. White, of Covington, Montgomery county, was killed by an explosion of a boiler which was used to run his cotton gin. White was standing in the second story of the house when the explosion took place. The boiler and engine, weighing 15,000 pounds, were thrown into the second story. White was terribly mangled, and the gin was smashed to atoms.

The board of directors of the eastern insane asylum passed a resolution requesting Mrs. M. A. Lawrence, who has been matron of the institute for twenty years, to resign. Mrs. Lawrence published a letter declining to resign, and stating that her resignation would imply the consciousness that she had been unfaithful to her duty. She was elected matron at the same time that Dr. Grissom was elected superintendent and has served contemporaneously with him.

**SOUTH CAROLINA.**  
Pat Calhoun was named as executor in the will of the late Capt. James Edwards, of Abbeville.

A declaration has been filed at the State capital and a commission issued to the Parkersville, Modoc and Edgeland Telephone Company, with headquarters at Edgeland Court House. The capital stock of the company is \$500, to be divided into fifty shares of the par value of \$10 per share. It is the purpose of the company to run their line along the Augusta and Knoxville Railroad and connect the three villages. The corporation are W. R. Parks, W. E. Prescott and J. D. Holstein.

The Columbia Fair Association have had six arches erected across Main street, two on each block from the State House to the Post-office. Each arch will support fifty-two gas jets with different colored lights, the effect of which will be brilliant.

T. S. Williams, of Marietta, sends the department of agriculture a sample of Allen silk cotton raised by James E. E. Allen. The cotton ginned by the English double roller gin sold in Charleston last week for 164 cents a pound.

A negro named Caleb Babb, of Greenville, assaulted John Hall, Wednesday, with a pickaxe, knocking him senseless and injuring him seriously. A warrant was given for the negro, and given Deputy Sheriff Gilchrist to serve. Upon his approach the negro ran and was fired at by the deputy three or four times, several shots taking effect and wounding him so seriously that his life is almost despaired of.

The York Spoke and Handle Company, has been incorporated by Robt. Witherspoon, Ernest Lowry, John F. Lindsay and others, to manufacture spokes, hubs, and other carriage and agricultural implements, etc. The capital stock is \$15,000.

Visitors to the vaults of the Pantheon in Paris remember the echo which the guide used to produce by shouting and pounding on a drum. This has been forbidden by the minister of the interior as "a desecration of the abode of the illustrious dead."

**VIRGINIA.**  
Captain George A. Ainslie, one of the most prominent citizens of Richmond, died Monday morning. He was ex-president of the chamber of commerce, ex-grand commander of Knights Templar of Virginia, president of the Merchant's Institute and democratic candidate for the nomination for mayor at the last election.

While the steam-tug Spray, formerly of Alexandria port, was towing a small barge from Norfolk to Lumbert's point Monday, the barge exploded and a colored man, who was on board, was drowned. A white man who was also on the barge narrowly escaped. The barge was loaded with brick, cement and lumber belonging to Gen. V. D. Gomer, all of which was lost.

The Lynchburg and Durham Railroad will be completed to Banner river in ten days, which is within one mile of Halifax Courthouse.

Gov. Lee commuted the sentence of the negro boy Simon Walker, who had been condemned to being for criminal assault on Mary Ann Tull, a white girl of Manchester, to twenty years imprisonment in the penitentiary. Walker has before been twice arrested, and twice the Governor had intervened. He would have been executed.

**GEORGIA.**  
The real estate belonging to the estate of the late Capt. C. A. Klink, of Columbus, was sold at public auction by the executor. Bidding was spirited, and some realized 41 cents a share, and others fifty-five thousand dollars.

At Savannah early Thursday morning, killing her instantly. The woman had been to a festival with her sister, and a young man protected them both. It is supposed that jealousy led to the murder. Marenfeld is still at large.

"Peg" Van, was hanged Friday at Summerville for murder. He cut his throat in the jail the day before his execution, soon after being informed that the Governor had refused to interfere in his behalf. He also cut a gash in his arm. He was a good deal of blood, but the wounds were not serious though the gallows was.

J. L. Boone, member of the House of Representatives from Hall county, was found dead in his bed Tuesday at his boarding house in Atlanta. Apoplexy was the cause of death.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature designed to exterminate the fox. It proposes to appropriate 25 cents for every scalp of a fox, and 50 cents for the head of a fox. The bill is designed to exterminate the various counties. The introduction of the bill aroused the ire of several members of the House, who have fine packs of hounds and are enthusiastic fox-hunters. But with all that they are on the best of terms with the foxes, and there is always an understanding between the keeper of the chase and the owners of the hounds that the former is not to accompany the latter home.

The Exposition of the Piedmont Society at Atlanta which closed Saturday, was in all respects a success. As an exhibition it was one of the most attractive ever seen in the South. The show was open four weeks, during which time at least 150,000 people passed in the gates. The total receipts were \$97,420, and the expenses about \$72,400, leaving the actual profits about \$25,000.

**TENNESSEE.**  
William Gies was found on Rossville road near Chattanooga in a dying condition, with a knife wound on the side of his head. He was brought to the city and properly attended, but his recovery is impossible, as he is not conscious. Full information cannot be obtained. All that is known is that he left a dance about 2 o'clock in the morning, and was found a short distance from the house. Who murdered him and the motive for the murder are unknown. He is not known to have any enemies, and no quarrel took place, making the murder most mysterious. He was evidently struck from behind with a large knife.

John Baskett and Nettie King, both prominent young people of Dayton, O., and were married. Baskett carried a ladder for two miles and stole his bride from an upstairs window at 2 o'clock in the morning. The ladder was used to escape the wrath of the bride's father, who opposed the match.

Judge Ridley, of the Criminal Court of Davidson county, decided that the clause in the Revenue bill passed by the General Assembly at a recent session, fixing a license for the selling of pools and book betting, was unconstitutional. The judge found three proprietors of local pool rooms guilty of violation of the law prohibiting the selling of pools and the making of book bets on races run on tracks outside of the State, and assessed a fine of \$50 and costs. An appeal from this decision was taken by the defendants who will carry the case to the Supreme Court, which meets in this city next month. This is the second judicial decision on this question. The law against pool selling and book betting was passed two years ago, and the defendants claim that the Legislature, by inserting a clause in the Revenue bill, repealed the law.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Murrell, the parents of Miss Mary N. Murrell, who has become so famous as "Charles Egbert Crowsfoot," are now in Murfreesboro, renovating and refitting the old home, to which they have returned to stay. Mr. Murrell has been a leading lawyer in St. Louis for many years past, and the family have lived there.

**OTHER STATES.**  
A corps of surveyors is being organized to locate a branch of the Georgia Pacific railroad from Baird, Ala., to Yazoo City, Miss. The branch will be fifty-five miles in length, and will penetrate one of the richest sections of the State of Mississippi. The survey will begin next week, and the road will be built as soon as possible.

Vicksburg, Mississippi, seems to be booming up. A \$50,000 hotel is being built, and money has been poured into the city and the plans are being prepared for another hotel to cost \$100,000. Its manufacturing industries are also thriving and rapidly increasing.

Rev. Sam Jones, assisted by Rev. J. R. Stewart, of Cleveland, Tenn., are carrying on a rousing revival meeting in Greenville, Miss. The large tent, having a capacity of 5,000, is filled to overflowing at the meetings.

The Comptroller of Currency has authorized the Galveston National Bank, of Texas, and the First National Bank, of Lake Charles, La., to begin with respective capitals of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

**CHARLESTON'S BATHHOUSE FESTIVAL.**  
Charleston's great earthquake festival opened with a grand display. The public buildings, private residences and commercial houses were bedecked with flags and bunting from one end of the city to the other. Thousands of United States flags were displayed. King street at night presented a magnificent picture with its triumphal arches, illuminated street windows, swinging Chinese lanterns, gay throngs of sight-seers, bands of music and military parades of both white and colored troops. There was a grand pyrotechnic display on the Colonial lake with miniature attack of the Federal fleet on Fort Sumpter. Twenty-five hundred visitors reached the city by the early morning train, and thousands of others arrived during the day and night.

**THE ALABAMA EXPOSITION.**  
Montgomery, Ala.—The Southern Exposition begun under favorable auspices. The Governor and other State officers, city and county officials, and a large number of citizens were present when President Harrison touched the bell by wire from Washington which put the machinery in motion. Speeches were made by Governor Sear, Mayor Fehman and President Van Diver of the Exposition. The artillery fired a salute and the Exposition was declared formally open. There is a large and fine display of products of farm, vines, forest and stock farms. The number of fine race horses is the largest ever assembled in the Exposition. The exhibition will remain open till the 15th instant.

## NORTH AND WEST.

NEWSY ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH. Being A Condensation of the Principal Happenings in Different States.

Irregularities in the certificate of the Washington Constitution sent to President Harrison may delay for six days the issuing of the proclamation announcing the admission of the State.

Mr. Edison says he receives an average of 1,000 letters daily, many of which contain offers of marriage with his daughter.

Edward Cosgrove, who had the reputation a few years ago of being a pugilist, was found dead in a cell in the Gregory street police station, Jersey City, Wednesday. He had been arrested for drunkenness. Death resulted from hemorrhage.

A party of five miners from Alaska, who lately arrived at San Francisco, say that the outlook in that region is not a very inviting one, and will not avail a person much to go there without capital.

A rattling prize fight of 11 rounds took place Thursday morning at Highland Falls, N. Y., between John Daly, of Philadelphia, and Bill Gabig, of Pittsburgh, heavy weights, for a purse of \$500, in which Daly proved the victor.

Owing to a heavy fall of snow and bad roads, the Wyoming vote on the adoption of the constitution was light. The vote will aggregate 10,000 with less than 1,000 against the constitution.

Eighteen-year-old George Baumeister, a clerk in a grocery in Bradford street and Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, was sent out to deliver groceries at the house of Mrs. Duryea, close by. After handing in the groceries he asked the 10-year-old son of Mrs. Duryea for a shotgun, and the boy brought him the gun. It was loaded with bird-shot, and when Baumeister was looking down the barrel it was discharged. The shot lodged in the boy's head, causing injuries which resulted in his death in St. Mary's Hospital.

Ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland are to have married this winter, and will next June for Europe, where they will spend the best part of a year.

Another strike is in progress in Evansville, Ind., and extends over the entire Mackey system, embracing Evansville and Terre Haute, Ind., and Ellettsville, Ind., and St. L. and E. and R. railroads.

Notices have been posted in all the newspapers in Valley, Ohio, granting all employees an unconditional increase in wages of 10 per cent.

The Austrian bark Joseph sailed from Providence, R. I., for Rotterdam with \$100,000 worth of cotton seed oil. This is the first direct foreign cargo that has left that port for the last half century.

Ephraim D. Ellsworth, father of the famous Col. Ellsworth, the first victim of the civil war, died Wednesday at Mechanicsville, N. Y., at the age of 81 years.

## WASHINGTON NOTES.

The President has amended the civil service rules applicable to the railway mail service so as to provide that in each case of a vacancy, the Civil Service Commission shall certify the names of three persons standing highest, resident in the counties of the State or Territory through or on the borders of which, the section of the railroad passes on which the person is to be appointed. He is to select from among the three persons thus certified, one is to be appointed.

Ex-Secretary of State Bayard was married Wednesday to Miss Mary Clynner. Ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland were among the guests.

The President appointed Wm. W. Bates, of New York, to be Commissioner of Navigation.

Private Secretary Halford has returned to his duties at the White House; but he is still far from robust. He is convinced that the Executive Mansion is in a bad condition as regards plumbing and ventilation, and lays his illness to these defects.

The President issued a proclamation admitting Montana as a State of the Union.

John is Bound to Come.

H. K. Armsby, of Victoria, B. C., says "Your Government ought to expend some of its surplus in building revenue cutters to patrol the northern waters of Puget Sound and the waters of the Strait. The Chinese who land in our country are just swarming to California. All the railways of our country are doing an immense business in shipping their goods to California."

Not long ago a callousness the collector at Port Townsend, "He said: 'I can't receive them at \$200 a head. Chinese is passing, but I can't guard \$200 a head of cattle with only seven inspectors. I have caught a few of the Celestials, but a great number pass unseen.'

Mr. Armsby thinks Mongolian immigration to the United States will be limited only by the capacity of British Columbia to receive them. A very important amendment to the constitution was then adopted. Heretofore when a fireman was promoted to be an engineer he could not join the brotherhood of engineers without first resigning from the Brotherhood of Firemen. The amendment adopted allows the new engineer to join the engineers and at the same time retain his membership with the firemen's brotherhood. After some routine business the convention adjourned to meet at Pittsburgh one year hence.

## A Wicked Boston Drummer.

Potomac, Md., New York.—A little son of a year ago at Boston drummer, William Carey, "became acquainted with Tilly Schoy of this city. They were married in December last, and a week after he left her, having borrowed considerable money of her father. He wrote to her from Erie, Pa., saying he would come back to her. She engaged Charles Morschauser, a well known lawyer of this city, as counsel. Mr. Morschauser learned that in March last Carey was living with Mamie Bluehard in the Kirk block, Syracuse, but had left her, taking with him her diamond ring and other valuables belonging to her. Evidence was also procured showing that they lived together as man and wife. The case came before Judge Barnard Saturday morning, who granted an absolute divorce to the Poughkeepsie wife with \$100 counsel fees and \$10 a week alimony.

Carey's native place is Richmond, Va. He is now out of the State, but is wanted here to pay the counsel fees and alimony.

## HALF A MILLION LOSS BY FIRE.

A Conflagration Sweeps Away Property in Petersburg.

One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Petersburg, occurred Thursday morning. It began in the large dry goods store of Geo. H. Davis & Co., in an iron front building on Sycamore street and communicated to the remaining four buildings in the same block, occupied by A. Rosenthal & Co., M. M. Davis & Co., Plummer & Wheeler, hard ware, and A. W. Price, grocer, destroying them all. The stores of Geo. W. Black, Eppa Hargrave, and Geo. H. Roberts, Furniture Company, were all burned. The Western Union Telegraph Company, the Old Fellows' building, the stores of P. S. Seabury, P. M. Stewart, M. W. Pryce and David Colander, on the off-side of the street was destroyed.

The loss is estimated at \$500,000, insurance \$400,000. The fire was caused by a fire in the office of Geo. H. Davis & Co., of the police force, was in one of the buildings when a wall fell. He was burned to death.

Assistance was asked from Richmond, and two steam engines were sent from there.

The "iron front" building which was burned in the fire, consisted of five large five-story stores. This was one of the most attractive buildings in the South and cost \$125,000. It was erected in 1861, on the site of the old Powell hotel, which was burned in 1857. In the Old Fellows' Hall were the Young Men's Christian Association rooms. The association lost its entire library, containing a value of more than \$200.

The fire originated in the rear part of the store of Geo. H. Davis & Co. The insurance was principally in Northern companies. The Virginia Mutual Insurance company had policies on the property burned to the amount of \$60,000.

The fire will prove a severe blow to Petersburg, and will throw out of employment many men who were employed there.

## A Chattanooga Mystery.

The police of Chattanooga, Tenn., are vainly endeavoring to unravel the deep mystery ever brought within their knowledge. Two human fingers were found on one of the principal business streets. They had every appearance of being torn by force from the hand of a large white man. This was two days ago, and the mystery was still further intensified by the finding of a fragment of a hand on a point about five hundred yards from the place that the fingers were found. The two fingers of the hand were gone and those discovered fitted exactly, thus showing that the arm and fingers belonged to the same man. It is the theory of the police that an unknown man had been murdered, and that the guilty parties have torn his body to pieces and thrown it into water to hide their guilt. No clue whatever has been found as to who the murdered man was.

## A Young Washington Lady's Advantages.

Belle Brown, daughter of a Washington, D. C., business man, whose disappearance five weeks ago, caused considerable stir and extensive search, has been found in New York all right and in good health. Her mind seems to be entirely unimpaired, and that the guilty parties have torn his body to pieces and thrown it into water to hide their guilt. No clue whatever has been found as to who the murdered man was.

## Wanamaker Consulting Postmasters.

Twenty of the postmasters from the principal postoffices in the country have been summoned to Washington by Postmaster General Wanamaker for the purpose of consultation. The conference has been held at the Post Office Department, Postmaster General Wanamaker himself presiding. The object of the conference is the interchanging of ideas for the betterment of the postal service throughout the country, and to enable the Postmaster General by personal contact with the postmasters to learn deficiencies of service, and to supply deficiencies where possible.

The conference will continue several days. Among the prominent postmasters are those from New York, Boston, Chicago, New Orleans, Washington, Nashville, Buffalo, Charleston, and Philadelphia.

## The Locomotive Engineers.

Locomotive Engineers considered and adopted the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws. The report consisted of only a few minor motions and resolutions. A very important amendment to the constitution was then adopted. Heretofore when a fireman was promoted to be an engineer he could not join the brotherhood of engineers without first resigning from the Brotherhood of Firemen. The amendment adopted allows the new engineer to join the engineers and at the same time retain his membership with the firemen's brotherhood. After some routine business the convention adjourned to meet at Pittsburgh one year hence.

## Blown Up at Sea.

While the fishing steamer S. S. Brown was cruising off the New Jersey coast, twenty-five miles from the Delaware Breakwater, her boilers exploded, instant killing Fireman John L. Cast, of Connecticut, and fatally wounding Chief Engineer Charles Bailey and Assistant Engineer William Laddow, both also from Connecticut. Three deck hands, Herbert Thompson and Frederick Turner, of Connecticut, and Seth Sutton, of Sussex county, Del., were seriously, but not fatally, scalded.

The steamer Alpine went to the assistance of the distressed vessel, bringing the injured men to the United States marine hospital at Philadelphia, Pa., where their wounds were attended to.

## Foreign missionary institute, where people will be trained for evangelic work abroad, has been opened in Boston

## ELECTION RETURNS.

THE RESULTS OF THE CANVASS. Virginia, Ohio, New York, New Jersey and Iowa Give Democratic.

## VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Va.—The state is now claimed for Democracy by 30,000. The heaviest democratic gains have been made in the republican strongholds, notably the 2nd and 4th congressional districts, which comprise the black belt. Richmond city gives 5,443 democratic majority, a gain over the Cleveland vote last year of 3,515. Fairfax county, a democratic gain of 1,300. Wye county,



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520 democratic majority, a gain of over 600. The city of Petersburg, Mahone's home, goes democratic by 415, a gain of 600. Cumberland has gone democratic by a small majority. Warren county, 870 democratic majority, a gain of 185. Culpeper, 600 democratic, a gain of 300. Pulaski, 225 democratic majority, a gain of 105. Rappahannock, 350 democratic majority, a gain of 300. Alleghany, a gain of 25. King William goes democratic and elects a democratic member of the house. Henrico county goes democratic and elects a member of the house, a gain of 530. Gloucester county, a republican gain of 500. Gen. Albion Conkling, the State to the democratic. He was up till daylight in the morning receiving returns from the different precincts in the state, and which gave very large republican majorities.

## OHIO.

CINCINNATI, O.,—Incomplete returns from all the counties in the State except 26, give Campbell plurality of 179. The outlook from these figures is that Campbell's plurality in the State is about 8,000.

COLUMBUS, O., Hon. "James E. Campbell, Hamilton, O.: To the full extent that a defeated candidate can do so, with propriety, allow me to offer my congratulations and assure you it will give me great pleasure to extend you every courtesy I can show you in connection with your inauguration and the commencement of your administration."

## NEW YORK.

A San bulletin says that the State has gone democratic by 10,000 majority.

## NEW JERSEY.

The democrats elected their governor by a majority of seven or eight thousand.

## IOWA.

Democratic state headquarters claim that if the present ratio of gains is continued they will carry the state by 7,000. Republican headquarters insist that strong republican counties have not yet reported, and without down the democratic gains so that Hutchison will be elected by a small plurality. The legislature will be republican by eight majority on joint ballot.

## MARYLAND.

BALTIMORE, Md.—Regular democratic ticket has carried this city by a majority of from 4,500 to 5,000 for state comptroller and local offices.

## MISSISSIPPI.

JACKSON, Miss.—So little interest was felt in the election, there being no opposition to the democratic ticket, that the executive committee have not provided for returns as heretofore. Five counties, having local dissenters, enjoy some little excitement, but otherwise the election was unusually quiet and uninteresting. Unfavorable weather made the vote even lighter than was anticipated.

## NEBRASKA.

LINCOLN, Neb.—The day was fair all over the state, but the vote was not large. Returns are coming in slowly. Nothing has been heard so far to change the estimate of the republican majority of 16,000 to 20,000.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The only state officer voted for in Pennsylvania was state treasurer. The candidates were Henry K. Boyer, republican; Edward A. Bigler, democrat, and James R. Johnson, prohibition. A light vote was cast. Very little interest was manifested, the election of Boyer being a foregone conclusion.

## A Postoffice Demolished.

The Postmaster General received the following telegram Friday: "Louis, Ky.—Hon. John Wanamaker, Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.: I claim protection and redress at the hands of the government. I am at this place and had the handsomest fourth-class office in northeastern Kentucky, surpassing many presidential offices. My office is this morning completely demolished, being the work of a few persons wanting to let the postmaster here know how Ohio does game politically. They used high explosives, dynamite and other combustible, caved in the front door, broke every window in the foot of the building, threw open the shutters and this morning I find my office little protection to the United States mail-pouches or money order deposits. This being a distributing office, the finding of the guilty parties will be an easy task for a detective force."

## Postmaster.

Postmaster General Wanamaker will have the alleged outrage investigated, with a view to bringing the guilty parties before the courts.

## Accident at a Furnace.

By the breaking out of molten iron in the stack of Coleridge furnace No. 1, at Lebanon, Pa., five men were killed and three severely burned. The men, all negroes, were laborers, were overwhelmed by the rush of molten metal while at work, and some of them were burned almost beyond recognition. The hottest shift of the furnace was destroyed.

## A woman living in the oil region of Pennsylvania recently lost her thumb. She applied crude oil to the stump and now an entirely new thumb is growing.

## A BATTLE IN A MEXICAN TOWN.

The Lynching of Customs Guards Causes a General Row.

News has reached the commander of the Mexican troops in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, of serious trouble which is now going on in Mier, Mexico, down the Rio Grande about 160 miles from Laredo. Last Sunday a merchant named Gutierrez was shot and killed by two customs guards who claim he resisted a general stop. He was searched on the road between Mier and Camargo. On their arrival at Mier they reported the affair, and the citizens were so incensed that they raised a mob and lynched them. About forty or fifty Mexican troops, and a body of fifteen or twenty customs guards arrived there too late to save the lives of the guards, and a general battle ensued, resulting in the death and wounding of some ten or fifteen parties. Reinforcements were telegraphed for to Matamoros. The town, at last accounts, was in an uproar.

## FROZEN COWBOYS.

Result of the Terrible Blizzard Which Swept Over Western Colorado and Northern New Mexico.

Henry Miller, range forman for Colonel R. G. Sead, with several cowboys, camped near Sierra Grande with 1,800 beef cattle which they were holding for the purpose of loading in the cars. At 4 o'clock in the morning a blizzard from the northwest struck the herd, driving the cattle toward the prairie, and the cowboys being unable to hold them. The snow was so blinding that it made it impossible to see fifty feet ahead. Miller called his men together and they attempted to follow the herd, and made an attempt to keep them bunched so far as possible. The men became separated. One of them wandered into Lead's home ranch, half dead with cold and hunger. He told his story, and the rescuing party was immediately sent out, and at 10 o'clock the frozen bodies of Henry Miller, Joe Martin and Charlie Jolly were found lying on the ice. Plans were made to find their way to the ranch, but before being overcome with cold.

## FOREIGN FOIBLES.

The French army officers are now all armed with revolvers. During the war of 1870 they had none.

The most interesting exhibition in Europe next year will be the Loan Exhibition of Tapestry at the Austrian Museum.

The London Lady Guide Association seems to be flourishing. It has taken new and larger rooms, and all its departments of which there are several, are said to be doing well.